

INTERWADER INTERNATIONAL SOUTH-EAST ASIA WADER STUDY PROJECT

APPEAL FOR ASSISTANCE:

INTERWADER is an international co-operative research project launched in 1983 to investigate the numbers, distribution, ecology and conservation status of the 50+ species of waders recorded in South-east Asia. Using light aircraft during this past August-November, we have mapped the distribution of passage and wintering populations in Peninsular Malaysia and ringed and colour marked waders in Malaysia and Singapore. In 1984 we hope to expand this programme into Thailand and Borneo using aerial and ground surveys with colour-marking at selected sites. The scope of such studies is dependent on funding and personnel and this is an appeal to any ornithologists, with wader experience, who would like to help with fieldwork for two or more months of the 1984 season (August to December inclusive), to contact us at the below address. Participants may need special visas for which we must apply as soon as possible. Applicants should send personal details, a statement of relevant experience and availability dates. At present our projected funding will cover local transportation and the field expenses of a limited number of participants. This situation may change and there is a possibility of subsidised air travel in special cases.

APPEAL FOR INFORMATION:

The co-ordinators of the INTERWADER Project which is gathering data on waders in the whole of Eastern Asia are anxious to contact ornithologists who have local information on wader numbers and sites within the region. One of the aims of INTERWADER is to compile a site directory for future use in population estimates and conservation programmes. Any information, however scant, on date, location and numbers would be very useful. Contributors will be acknowledged in resultant future publications. We are also interested in information on storks, ibises, spoonbills and coastal ardeids.

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